

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1382

By Curtiss

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the members of the  
Tennessee Firemen's Association on the  
occasion of the Association's 75th anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those exemplary citizens who are willing to sacrifice their personal convenience and concerns to ensure our individual and collective safety; the men and women who proudly serve as firefighters have chosen a profession that more than occasionally places them in harm's way; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Tennessee Firemen's Association represent an exemplary group of Tennesseans who train and work tirelessly to serve others, with no expectation of gratitude or reward; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Firemen's Association will be celebrating its 75th anniversary this year during its annual memorial service and banquet to be held in Murfreesboro on June 4, with current Association President and Murfreesboro Fire Chief David Baxter presiding; and

WHEREAS, the Association was organized on October 22, 1930, in the office of Nashville Fire Chief F. B. Moore, when the fire chiefs of the state, who were assembled for the meeting of the Tennessee Arson Squads, adjourned after the morning session at the Hermitage Hotel and banded together in the new organization; and

WHEREAS, as stated during that first meeting, the purpose of the association "is for the betterment of all fire-fighting companies in the state, for the reduction of fire losses and fires, and for the abolition of conditions leading to fires"; and

WHEREAS, with members from fire departments across the state, the exceptional individuals of the Tennessee Firemen's Association are well-trained and highly qualified

firefighters who graciously and generously give of themselves, their skills, and their time, as they utilize the latest in firefighting tactics and critical lifesaving knowledge in their mission to serve; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of 75 years of advancing fire protection services to the good people of Tennessee, the members of this General Assembly would like to express our thanks to the Tennessee Firemen's Association for a job well done; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend the members of the Tennessee Firemen's Association on the occasion of the Association's 75th anniversary and applaud its many valiant and dedicated firefighters for their brave and gallant service in protecting the lives and the property of their fellow citizens.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we wish these courageous men and women much continued success in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.